



Margaree Family of Catholic Churches

St. Joseph's

St. Michael's/St-Michel

St. Patrick's

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Mission Statement: Open to God. Open to Others. Open to Transformation

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, July 26, 2026

Weekend Masses: St. Patrick's – Sat., 6 p.m.; St. Joseph's – Sun., 9:30 a.m.; St. Michael's – Sun., 11 a.m.

Weekday Masses:

Tues., July 28 – St. Joseph's – 6:30 p.m. – John A. & Catherine MacLellan req. by Peter & Betty MacFarlane

Wed., July 29 – NO MASS

Thurs., July 30 – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Tony Dawson req. by Dora Aucoin & family

Fri., July 31 – St. Michael's – 10 a.m. – Francis & Helene LeBlanc req. by family of Josephine & Jimmy LeBlanc

Memorials: July 29 – Sts. Martha, Mary & Lazarus, Disciples of the Lord; July 31 – St. Ignatius of Loyola, Priest; St. Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Doctor

Mass times for Highland Games Weekend: - Saturday- 4 p.m. at St. Michael's; Sunday – 9:30 a.m. – St. Joseph's; No Mass at St. Patrick's that weekend

N.B. – The next bulletin will be for Aug. 30.

New address for Fr. Silvan: 2060 Haultain St., Victoria, BC V8R

MINISTRY

E-transfer Email for St. Michael's – smcc1181@gmail.com

Meeting of St. Michael's Cemetery Committee: will be held on Wed., Aug. 19 at 7 p.m. in Mary's room.

Message from St. Michael's Cemetery Committee: - As Aug. 15th approaches (the Feast of Our Lady of the Assumption, our lady being the patron saint of the Acadians), you might want to consider a visit to the Pioneer Cemetery.

Six Adults for OCIA – We have six adults at the Inquiry stage of the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). Please pray for them. If there is anyone interested in becoming Catholic, please get in touch with Fr. David.

World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly, July 26 – Pope Francis instituted the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly on Jan. 31, 2021 to highlight the importance of providing adequate pastoral and spiritual attention to the elderly and to call upon communities to manifest the closeness of the Church to them. It is to be celebrated on the fourth Sunday of July, close to the memorial of Sts. Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus (July 26). - ORDO

Margaree Food Security Society – offers assistance to all people in need of financial help for grocery items. **Effective February 10, 2026**, calls for assistance will be accepted on the second Tuesday of each month only. This does not change the amounts offered, rather is a more efficient and organized manner to process requests. Hours remain 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. and phone number is 902-248-2888. A volunteer will assist you with obtaining

a Co-op gift card that can be used for any items you require with the exception of alcohol, tobacco products and lottery tickets. This service is confidential.

The Margaree Food Security Society continues to accept monetary donations from individuals, businesses and organizations. Donations can be made by forwarding your cheque, made out to St. Patrick's Parish c/o Cecile Miller, St. Patrick's Parish, NE Margaree, NS, B0E 2H0. Tax receipt will be issued. Donations may also be put in Sunday Collection in envelope marked "Margaree Food Security".

CWL/KOC NEWS

What's Your CWL? – VOICE - If you only knew... the Catholic Women's League has a 'voice' to create change! Backed by thousands of Canadian Catholic women - it meets with government and influences laws, stands up for social justice and speaks up for those who do not have a voice. Is there a cause or issue you would like to see brought to the attention of government? Your voice matters – we can help!

OTHER NEWS

Margaree Highland Games Bake Table - The Margaree Kinettes will be looking after the bake table on Sunday, August 9, with all proceeds going to the Highland Games. We are reaching out to members of our community to help us out in donations of baked goods. This table has always been a huge success in the past due to the generosity of our many contributors and we hope this year will be no exception. Baked goods can be dropped off anytime after 9 a.m. so that we can have everything set up for when the gates open for the day. Thanks so much in advance for your generosity.

St. Joseph's Hall Dances – FAMILY: August 7, Donna Marie DeWolfe; ADULT: July 26, Kenneth Mac Kenzie. Time 8 -11 Admission \$10.

Takeout Port Chop Barbecue - St. Joseph's Parish will be having a Takeout Pork Chop BBQ following Mass on August 16, from 10:30 to 12:30, \$20/plate, c/w dessert. You can call to reserve a plate OR just drop in and place your order, either way is fine. (Lawrence 248-2180, Mary 248-2317).

Collection of Used Glasses/Cases – Please bring any used glasses or glass cases you have, and place them in the box at the entrance of St. Michael's Church.

St. Patrick's Parishioners – Please pick up any dishes which were left at the hall following funeral receptions and other events.

PRAYERS

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for July 2026 – *For respect for human life* – Let us pray for the respect and protection of human life in all stages, recognizing that it is a gift from God.

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for August 2026 – *For evangelization in the city* – Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

Condolences are extended to the families of Alice Marple, mother-in-law of Alfred Gallant; and Peter Pilon, husband of Corinne Cameron, sister of Lawrence.

Prayer Corner – Please remember in your prayers those who are sick: Karen Baer, Jessie Murphy, Ann Gillis, Kathleen Deveau, Bob Fortune, Margaret Rose Fortune, Cathy Aucoin, Odette (Emile) LeBlanc, Ernie LeBlanc, Devon Chisholm, Marg Burton, Sadie Stockley, Eva Murphy, Isadore Murphy and Margie MacDonnell. If you are sick and would like your name in the Prayer Corner, please contact the parish office.

Prayer of St. Teresa of Avila – Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you. All things pass away. God never changes. Patience obtains all things. He/She who has God lacks nothing. God alone suffices.

Prayer to St. Joseph - Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen.

Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel - St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God cast into Hell, Satan, and all the other evil spirits who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen

Prayer for Peace in the World - Loving Father, we bring to you the suffering of our world today. Look kindly upon every person living in fear, suffering persecution, or facing death. Help us to remember that you are the Father of all of your children on earth. Fill each heart with an unwavering trust in your Fatherly love. Forgive us when we have not cared for our earth, the home you have given. Forgive us when we chose the path of selfishness rather than the path of Love. Forgive us when we forgot to live as brothers and sisters on this earth, the way you have shown in fellowship with your disciples. Look upon us with your compassion, the way you looked upon the world from the cross. Remember not the evil we have done, but see the depth of our repentance. Give peace to the world, help us to live anew. Send your Spirit to guide each of our steps, to build rather than to destroy, to love rather than to hate, to live rather than to die. In Jesus' name, through the victory of his resurrection, we pray. Amen.

Prayer of St. Patrick - May the Strength of God pilot us. May the Power of God preserve us. May the Wisdom of God instruct us. May the Hand of God protect us. May the Way of God direct us. May the Shield of God defend us. May the Host of God guard us against the snares of the evil ones; against temptations of the world. May Christ be with us! May Christ be before us! May Christ be in us; Christ be over all! May Thy Salvation, Lord, always be ours, this day, O Lord, and evermore. Amen.

Mass Intentions – August 2026

N.B. If there is a funeral, the weekday Mass for that day will be cancelled.

4 – Malcolm MacQueen req. by Donnie & Eleanor MacLellan

5 – St. Joseph's – Funeral Mass for Albert Rennie at 11 a.m.

6 – No weekday Mass - Ordination of Joe MacMaster to the Diaconate will take place in Sydney Mines. All are welcome to attend.

7 – Alex Chiasson req. by Anne & Simon LeBlanc

11 – 14 – NO WEEKDAY MASSES

18 – Mary Stewart req. by Caroline MacEachern

19 – Frank Crowdis req. by Bernadette Murphy

20 – Anne Gillis req. by Cecile Miller

21 – Ross Wayland req. by Sylvia Spader

25 – Ernie Hinkley req. by Jacqueline Rickman

26 – John Dunn – req. by Alex and Elaine Dunn

27 – Dougald Cameron req. by Marie & Jim Guilford

28 – Theresa LeBlanc req. by Lionel & Beatrice Cormier



MARGAREE HIGHLAND GAMES Aug 7-9

CASH ONLY WEEKEND
-RAIN OR SHINE-
BRING A CHAIR!






**FESTIVAL EVENTS AT
ST. MICHAEL'S PARISH HALL
1176 EAST MARGAREE ROAD**

FRIDAY, AUGUST 7

7-9 pm: Kick-Off Kitchen Party

- \$10/adult, \$5/youth under 16 yrs
- Tea, Coffee, and Grandma's Cookies
- Benefitting St. Michael's Hall

SATURDAY, AUGUST 8

1 pm: Bingo with \$500 Jackpot

- Block of 3: \$15, block of 9: \$35
- Doors open at 11:30 am

5 pm: Acadian Fricot Supper

- \$15/person, \$8/child under 12 yrs
- Gluten-friendly option available
- Take-out available

7:30-11:30 pm: Family Square Dance

- \$15/adult, \$8/youth under 19 yrs
- *Max. admission of \$40 per family*
- Fiddle Chrissy Crowley | Piano Jason Roach
- Due to the cash bar and licensing, minors must leave the hall by 9:30 pm.

**TRADITIONAL HEAVY EVENTS
BEHIND ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH
1181 EAST MARGAREE ROAD**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9

\$10/person, \$5/child, free under 2 yrs

Max. admission of \$30 per family

9 am: Heavy Events begin

1 pm: Opening Ceremonies

Join us for bagpiping and highland dancing,
bake sale, silent auction, horse rides, beer garden, canteen,
kids' activities, and more!



**BOUNCY CASTLES WITH
SLIDE & OBSTACLE COURSE,
FISH POND, AND MORE!**

11-1pm: Six Little Farmers' Petting Zoo

12-2pm: Professional Face Painting

2-4pm: Cheticamp Martial Arts